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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

WENDEL et al.

Serial No.: 08/996,768

Filed: December 23, 1997

For: TEST PROCEDURE WITH BIOLOGICAL SYSTEM



Group Art Unit: 1641

Examiner: C. Spiegel

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner  
of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

September 14, 1998

Sir:

Applicants' submit the instant response to the Office action mailed August 14, 1998.

A restriction requirement was entered under 35 U.S.C. § 121. In accordance with the restriction, Applicants are required to elect between the claims of Group I and Group II. Applicants, hereby, elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-5 and 10-15, with traverse. Traverse is maintained because the elected claims define a method of using the subject matter defined in the non-elected claims.

Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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